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New kid

Fifteen-year-old Jessica Andrews joins the ranks of teen country singers with her debut album "Heart Shaped World."

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Flying Hi-D

BYU gymnast Hi-D Beck has smiled through injuries and illness to compete in gymnastics.

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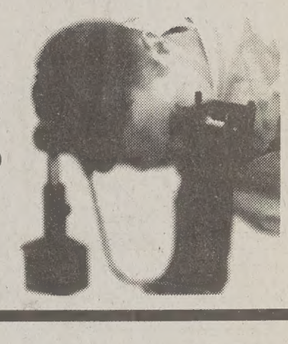

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...errillas of Ocalan's ...ers Party, or PKK, ...tle for autonomy in Turkey's southeast that has cost close to 37,000 lives.

His capture set off massive protests Tuesday as enraged Kurds seized Greek and other embassies and held hostages across Europe. Many Kurds believed Greece had turned Ocalan over. Greece maintains Ocalan left the embassy of his own accord.

The plight of the longtime fugitive has also focused attention on Turkey's treatment of Kurds, and European countries are urging Turkey to give Ocalan a fair trial.

The international concerns are not likely to be soothed by Turkey's refusal early Wednesday to allow Ocalan's attorneys and a translator to enter the country.

The attorneys were sent back to the Netherlands after being held at the airport in Istanbul for six hours, the official Anatolia agency reported.

"It is what we feared," one of the attorneys, Britta Boehler, said in a telephone interview in the Netherlands. "Turkey is not willing to give Mr. Ocalan even the slightest chance of a fair trial."

The Foreign Ministry defended the decision not to allow the lawyers in.

"In the past, they acted like PKK militants," Foreign Ministry spokesman Sermet Atacanli said. "They're not welcome in this country as they intend to cause provocation and sensation and have no intention to act as lawyers."

Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit said Wednesday he would release a tape of Ocalan made during the flight back to Turkey to prove the rebel leader had not been harmed.

Ecevit also said in an interview on state television late Tuesday that Ocalan would get a fair trial.

Ocalan is believed to have thousands of fighters in southeast Turkey and in Iraq, and supporters throughout Europe.

"This will surely demoralize his fighters," said Seyfi Tashan, of the private Foreign Policy Institute in Ankara, adding that a leadership struggle could follow.

"A small, separate armed group may emerge from the PKK and keep up violence," said Dogu Ergil, president of the Foundation for the Research of Societal Problems, an Ankara-based think tank.

AP photo

Supporters of the Kurdistan Worker's Party flash the victory sign at a fire in Hamburg Wednesday. The group gathered to protest the capture of Kurdish rebel leader Abdullah Ocalan.

Protesters take foreign offices in angry protest

Associated Press

BERLIN — Dozens of Kurdish protesters stormed the Israeli consulate in Berlin on Wednesday, Israeli officials said, and three were shot dead a day after the arrest of Kurdish rebel leader Abdullah Ocalan sparked demonstrations across Europe.

At least 16 people were injured when a group of protesters tried to take the four-story building, German police said.

Israel said its guards opened fire on protesters in self-defense. Two Kurds were killed at the scene and a third died at a hospital, German police spokesman Norbert Gunkel said. But police did not specify who shot them.

In Jerusalem, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Israeli guards acted in self-defense when dozens of Kurds tried to storm the consulate, using hammers and clubs.

The first protester was killed when he tried to wrest a weapon from an Israeli guard, Netanyahu said.

An embassy employee was briefly taken hostage by the protesters but released after negotiations with German police.

Netanyahu's account conflicted with reports from Kurds at the scene.

One demonstrator said an Israeli guard fired without warning into a crowd of up to 300 Kurds approaching the consulate.

None of the Kurds were armed, said the witness, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The demonstrator denied the crowd sought to seize the mission, saying they wanted to send a delegation to meet Israeli officials.

In the confusion, about 20 Kurds managed to run into the consulate, he said, adding that one Kurd inside was wounded.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry said no Israelis were hurt, and its missions remained open throughout Europe and elsewhere.

Ocalan was captured Monday in Nairobi, Kenya, where he had been hiding in the Greek Embassy, and was taken to Turkey for trial on terrorism charges. Ocalan's Kurdistan Workers Party, or PKK, has waged a battle for autonomy since 1984 in Turkey that has cost close to 37,000 lives. Kurdish protesters accused Greece of allowing him to be taken from its embassy, a charge Athens denies.

Kurdish protesters continued to hold Greek missions in the Swiss cities of Bern and Zurich and in London.

Kurds also seized offices in Sweden and Austria on Wednesday, demanding the countries' governments press for Ocalan's release.

Protesters who had broken into Europe's U.N. headquarters left peacefully Wednesday. Kurdish demonstrators and police clashed in the Australian cities of Sydney and Melbourne, with injuries on both sides.

European governments — particularly Germany, which has the largest Kurdish community in western Europe — fear continued Kurdish outrage during Turkey's expected trial of Ocalan on terrorism charges.

In Russia, Kurds protested peacefully Wednesday for two hours outside the U.S. consulate in Vladivostok, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

...n cleared for Main St. purchase

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The Salt Lake Downtown Alliance has agreed to allow The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to purchase a section of Main Street, the street between North and South Temple. The street will connect Temple Square with the LDS Church's block of office buildings.

However, Valerie Price, community development director of the alliance, said Tuesday's approval vote came with an alliance recommendation to use the profits made by the sale of the land for the development of Main Street.

Price said many of the downtown businesses along Main Street have been damaged financially.

"Businesses are affected not only because of the mass amount of downtown construction, but also because people are bringing their business outside the central building district," Price said.

A major complaint of downtown shoppers is the lack of parking, she said. One of the recommendations made by the alliance is for the city to build a public parking structure on the south end of Main Street between 200 and 300 South.

Bob Farrington, executive director of the alliance, said the organization is also recommending the money be used toward incentives for property owners to provide special downtown activities and cultural attractions.

Russell Weeks, City Council policy analyst, said the Council is still considering the issue, but formal agreements will not be made until spring.

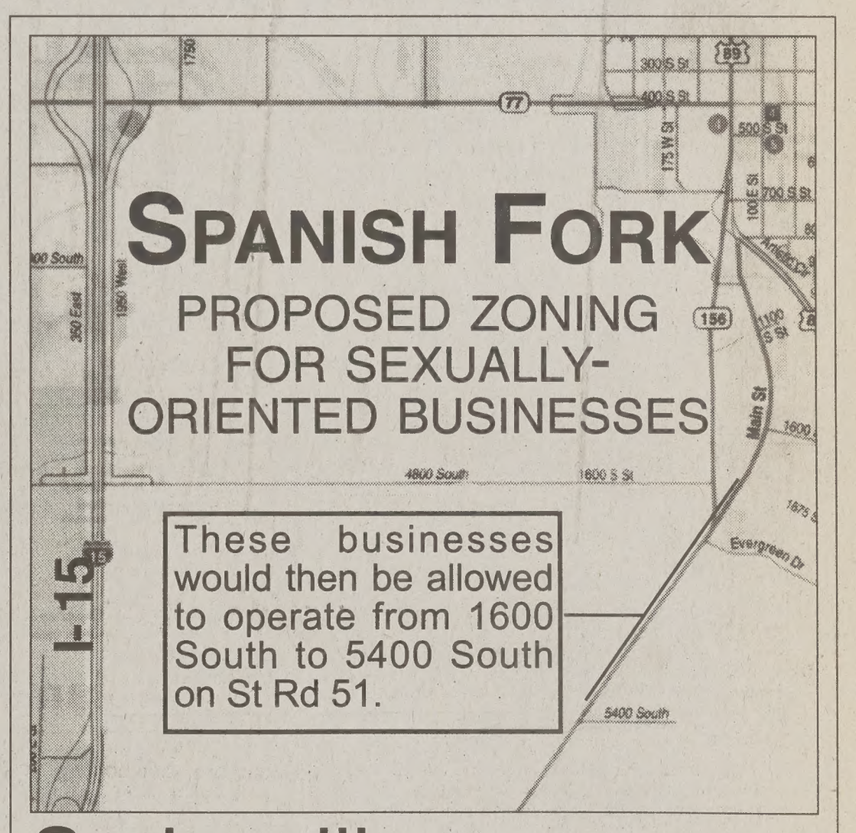
The alliance's vote, Weeks said, will be taken under consideration by the Council, but the mayor's planning commission will be making the final decisions as to what the $8.1 million will be used for if the city agrees on the purchase.

The Downtown Alliance has represented downtown business owners since 1991. Price said the businesses support its vote, but the LDS Church's street purchase is still a controversial issue for many.

Utah Woolen Mills president Bart Stringham said every downtown business is suffering because of construction. He said the Main Street closure will only cause further harm.

"It's a good idea," Stringham said, "but what will they do, subsidize our loss for the next 20 years?"

LDS Church representative Dan Rascon said he believes the Main Street closing will help, not hurt, area businesses.



...n Senate retains birth control law

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...men at the Utah State Senate saw ...as lawmakers voted down a bill ...e companies to pay for birth con...

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... Whip Paula Julander, ...r of the equity bill, said ...this bill was a yes vote ...me legislators saw the ... bill were surprised by the vote ...as expected to pass earlier in the ...

...inning of Wednesday's debate, many appeared to be in favor of passing the bill. Sen. Ron Allen, D-Stansbury Park, said women have been suffering discrimination for 30 years, especially concerning reproductive issues.

Julander said the legislation would not require women to take birth control. She said the issue was about equity rather than a mandate.

Sen. Michael Waddoups, R-Salt Lake, rose in indignant opposition and said bills such as the equity of prescription drugs usually have the opposite effect.

Julander stated in her opening remarks that unwanted pregnancies cost millions of dollars each year.

But not all legislators saw it that way and stood behind insurance companies and used increased costs as their chief defense for opposing the bill.

Sen. John Valentine, R-Orem, said that many insurance companies already have birth control available at an extra cost.

"There is no such thing as free lunch, senators," he said.

In response, Allen said that the increasing cost of insurance concerns him, but it is worth the risk.

When it came time to vote, it was neck and neck. Some senators stepped up to their microphones and explained the reasoning behind their vote.

Sen. Peter Knudson, R-Brigham City, said before casting his vote that even though it might be a conflict of interest, as a doctor he had to vote favorably for the bill.

Julander said she was disappointed that the lobbying of private persons, and insurance companies caused the bill to be voted down.

"Fifty-four percent of pregnancies are unplanned. This issue affects families, women and children," she said.

After the session was over, Julander said she may bring the bill up for discussion again today. A senator who voted against the bill would have to ask for the issue to be debated again in order to have the majority vote in favor of further discussion.

Springville may zone X-rated businesses

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The Springville Planning Commission is considering a proposal to allow sexually-oriented businesses settle in the rural area between Springville and Spanish Fork.

The proposed area is from 1600 South to 5400 South on State Road 51, also known as the Old Springville Highway.

The ordinance is meant to restrict all stores that sell sexually explicit material to a certain area in the county.

Springville is legally required to zone a section of the city to regulate sexually-oriented businesses, said Springville's Planning and Zoning Administrator Wayne Hall.

"We had to pick an area that wasn't around a lot of residences, churches, liquor stores or schools," Hall said. "I haven't heard any opposition to it yet, but this is only a recommendation."

The ordinance was proposed after the commission spent six to eight months searching for a suitable location away from the main part of the city. The Old Springville Highway fit all the parameters.

Many Springville citizens agree that if sex businesses have to be allowed into their town, the farther away the businesses are the better.

"If they're going to put those types of stores somewhere, I guess that it's the best place for them," said Carolyn Groshans, a Springville Resident. "I just hope those types of stores realize that they are not wanted or welcome here in Springville."

Some citizens are happy to see more sexually-oriented businesses in the area. Sue Rowland, a Springville resident, said her 29-year-old son is anxious about the possibility.

"I recently read about a topless bar that could be coming to Springville, and my son seemed pretty excited about it. But, personally, I would rather not have any businesses like that anywhere," Rowland said. "Those kinds of stores bring with them social problems that we do not need.

News Briefs

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Peace talks slow as deadline nears

RAMBOUILLET, France — Despite Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's defiant "no" to the chief mediator at the Kosovo peace talks, Foreign Ministers Hubert Vedrine of France and Robin Cook of Britain said Wednesday they detected some progress.

This comes with less than three days to go to the Saturday noon deadline for reaching a three-year interim agreement between Serbs and Kosovo Albanians.

Key to any Kosovo peace agreement is the deployment of a 30,000-strong NATO force in the province to ensure the deal is implemented. Belgrade's refusal to allow such a force on Yugoslav territory has been a major roadblock in the talks.

Christopher Hill, the American heading the international mediating team at the talks, flew to Belgrade on Tuesday with a tough message for Milosevic: Sign a deal by Saturday or face NATO missiles.

In addition to the dispatch of NATO troops, part of the proposed agreement calls for the disarming of the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army. KLA spokesmen have said the KLA can never accept this.

Sickout pilots granted more time

DALLAS — A federal judge Wednesday gave American Airlines' pilots union more time to defend itself against contempt charges that stemmed from failing to halt a sickout that at one point grounded more than half the flights of the nation's second-largest airline.

The Allied Pilots Association had asked U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall to hear its side of the case before imposing damages. The union said it needed more time to rebut the carrier's claims of financial harm suffered as a result of the job action.

The airline's lawyer, Dee Kelly, urged the judge to proceed, saying, "I frankly think they've had notice. The airline has suffered huge losses."

Kendall, who has promised a sizable fine against the union, continued the hearing until April 12. He also ruled that a temporary restraining order issued a week ago ordering the pilots to return to their cockpits will remain in effect through May 10.

"It's time to cool down and take the loaded guns away from each other's heads," Kendall said.

Oregon assisted suicides up to 15

SALEM, Ore. — In the first year under the nation's only assisted-suicide law, 15 terminally ill people in Oregon used it to end their lives, and there was no evidence they suffered painful, lingering deaths as opponents had warned.

In a report published in the New England Journal of Medicine on Feb. 11, Oregon health officials also said fears that the law would be used as an easy way out by people afraid of financial ruin or pain proved unfounded.

The first report on Oregon's Death with Dignity Act, approved in 1994 and reaffirmed in November 1997, showed that doctors prescribed lethal drugs to 23 people who had less than six months to live in 1998 but that six died from their illnesses before using the drugs. Two others were still alive as of Jan. 1.

Thirteen of the 15 were cancer patients. The others suffered from heart or lung diseases. The average age of those who took their lives was 69.

Utah House approves reading bill

The Utah House of Representatives passed a bill Wednesday to create a reading skills development center on the University of Utah campus.

The center will provide literacy specialists to evaluate reading levels of elementary school children statewide.

Bill sponsor and former educator Rep. Karen Morgan, D-Salt Lake, said with 38 percent of Utah's fourth graders below national reading levels, this bill is a positive answer to the trend.

Morgan said the program will be implemented when the school year begins this coming fall if it receives the $1 million of funding.

"It will take time, but this is the first step," Morgan said.

Morgan said the bill supplements Gov. Mike Leavitt's $10.4 million initiative of additional reading time in classrooms.

Ruling due Monday on Geneva's credit

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A judge plans to rule by Monday on Geneva Steel's bid to use its Orem plant as collateral for an additional $40 million lifeline of credit.

That move, however, could leave current bondholders with virtually nothing if the company sinks.

Geneva and bondholder attorneys told U.S. District Senior Judge J. Thomas Greene that everyone's willing to take that chance because the alternative is liquidation.

"There's no guarantee," attorney Mark Ellenberg said Tuesday at the opening of a hearing on Geneva's petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 bankruptcy law. "It may crash and burn, but at least it's a chance."

Attorney Ralph Mabey said the chances are very good that Geneva will survive and thrive if it's given the financial elbow room to continue operating until the U.S. steel industry recovers.

To that end, Mabey and Ellenberg asked Greene on Tuesday to approve a complicated debtor-in-possession financing motion that would give Geneva access to a total borrowing base of $125 million.

With the cash-short company facing a critical payroll on Monday as well as nervous vendors and customers, Greene adopted an aggressive schedule.

He said he would hold hearings through Saturday if necessary and rule on the motion for financing by Monday morning.

Also, the judge appointed an examiner, Alan M. Singer, to assess the viability of Geneva. Singer, a former New York trustee with more than 30 years experience in turnaround management, was ordered to report his findings to the court no later than 3 p.m. Saturday.

Ellenberg opened Geneva's case Tuesday afternoon with a brief history of Geneva's financial problems, tracing them to an "unprecedented stream" of cheap imported steel. He said most of the so-called "dumping" came from troubled Asian companies that were seeking buyers in the one really healthy market in the world.

Although Geneva has spent almost $600 million on its Orem plant in the past decade, the liquidation value of the assets would be much less because the equipment has a limited use.

For purposes of the "mortgage," the plant was valued at $50 million.

Weather

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Year to date	3.73"			

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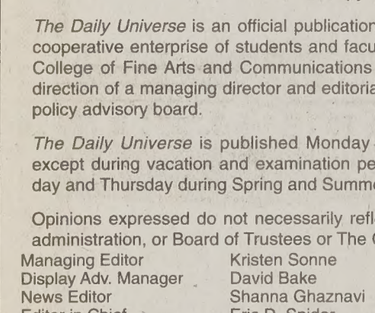
Scripture of the Day

"And it came to pass that the Lord spake unto Enoch, and told Enoch all the doings of the children of men; wherefore Enoch knew, and looked upon their wickedness, and their misery, and wept and stretched forth his arms, and his heart swelled wide as eternity; and his bowels yearned; and all eternity shook." — *Moses 7:41*



Justin Halverson says this scripture "shows me that even Enoch had a lot to learn, so there's hope for me." Halverson is from Troutdale, Ore and majoring in Comparative Literature.

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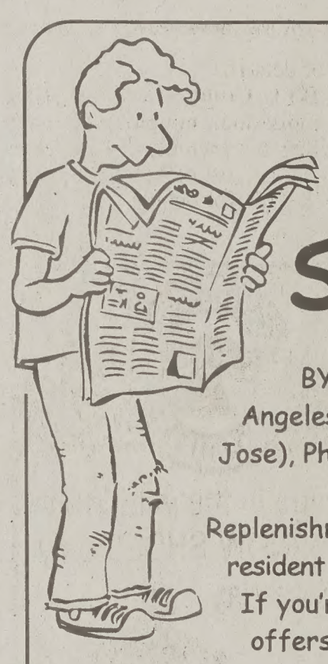

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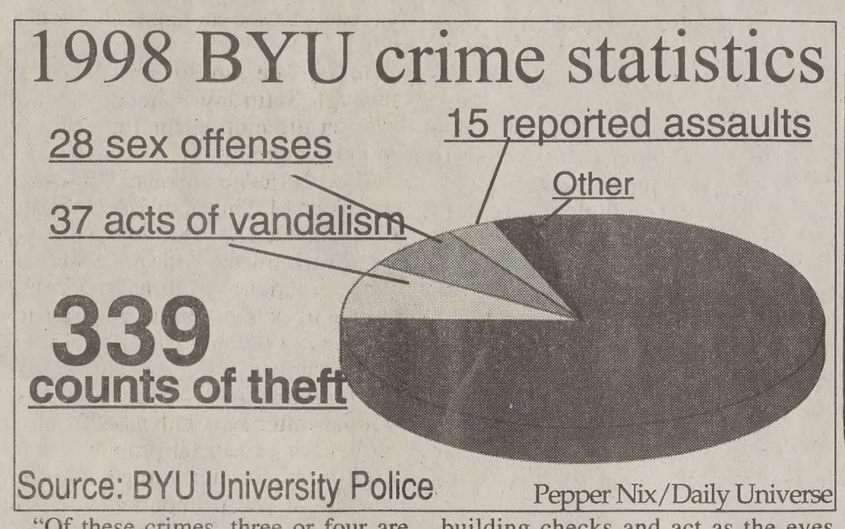
Another program the department sponsors is called Operation Identification. Through the University Police and the traffic office, students can engrave personal belongings and register bicycles. Pray said this is an excellent preventative measure to combat theft.

"Theft is the number one crime on campus, and it accounts for about 75 to 80 percent of all crimes," Pray said.

According to Pray, most crimes on campus are committed by individuals not affiliated with BYU. Criminals usually shoplift from the bookstore, steal computers or take backpacks. Pray said theft is down 17 percent this year, due in part to greater precautions taken by students. Pray also credits the University Police.

Although sex offenses are not among the highest ranking crimes, Pray said these crimes greatly concern the police because of their nature. He said about 30 sex-related crimes occur each year on campus.



"Of these crimes, three or four are forcible sex offenses. Unfortunately, one is too many in that area," Pray said.

Pray said the University Police aggressively pursue all leads. He attributed much of their success to students who volunteer as part-time security officers. Security officers help with the Safewalk program, do building checks and act as the eyes and ears of the police department during evening hours, Pray said.

The design of campus facilities cuts down on crime. Lt. Greg Barber, manager of administration services for the University Police, said well-lit facilities and properly maintained grounds offer criminals few opportunities to conceal themselves.

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"People come out more familiar with the soft spots of their marriage," Nichols said. "They learn how to better help each other with the weaknesses in their marriage."

The classes are not limited to BYU students. While attending the course, couples will complete a test called the R.E.L.A.T.E. Instrument which is geared to guess how their spouse will act in certain situations. It also gauges compatibility and strength. "The idea is to help make good marriages better," Fife said. "It isn't meant for couples in crisis, although they are welcome too."

The classes are from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and run until April 8. The cost is $20 per couple for the course. Classes will be at the BYU Comprehensive Clinic, also known as the Taylor building, at 1190 North 900 E.

At-a-Glance

• Foreign Language Exams for languages not taught on campus will be given Feb. 27. Registration ends Friday at 4:30 p.m. Call 378-5360 for information or go to 3060 JKHB to register.

•The BYU Comprehensive Clinic in the Taylor Building is offering psycho-educational group training for engaged couples desiring to discuss premarital issues. Group times are Wednesdays from 6 to 7:15 p.m. or Mondays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Another group will meet Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. to discuss stress management. Groups run approximately eight to 10 weeks. The cost is a one-time fee of $15 to $20 per person. Fees can be waived or decreased according to financial need. Groups are led by graduate students in training for clinical psychology and marriage and family therapy. Call 378-7759 for details.

• The BYU Comprehensive Clinic offers individual, couple and family counseling for members of the community at the cost of $15 per session. Call 378-7759 for details.

...ists to present latest research

By ERIN MARTIN
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NewsNet Staff Writer

...ers at the 23rd annual Deseret Language ...ymposium today and Friday will have ... better understand language-related top..., director of this year's symposium, said ...ical applications of subjects for a gener...

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Paul Baltes, a professor of English specializing in language and linguistics, said the symposium is of value to BYU students for two reasons.

"It gives students exposure to work of faculty members here and from other places. It also gives them the opportunity to present their own research in a real conference environment," he said.

Melvin Luthy, a professor of linguistics, agrees that the symposium is geared towards students.

"The purpose of organizing the symposium was to provide the opportunity for students to report research and present papers and to participate in a professional organization," he said.

The symposium is free and open to the community. There is a fee for publications of the proceedings and refreshments. A detailed program of the linguistics symposium is available in the Linguistics Department in 2113 JKHB. The symposium will be in the Conference Center from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. today and from 8 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. Friday. Registration is from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Friday in 2256 CONF.

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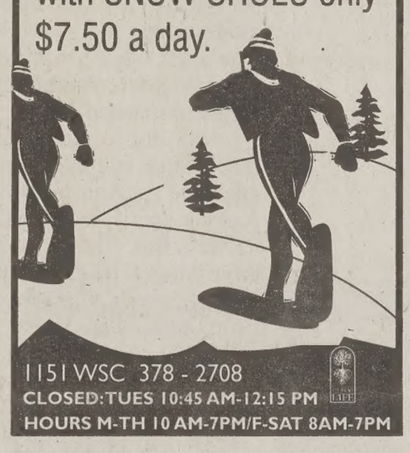

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Look out above

Utah has much more crashing down on its head than the 2002 Winter Olympic Games' infrastructure and the public needs to be aware. Avalanches have taken the lives of five people this winter in Utah, and authorities are worried the total will continue rising.

With such a large influx of tourists and media leading up to the 2002 Winter Olympics, the U.S. Forest Service is doing all it can to help prevent future deaths and injuries.

But the Forest Service can't do it all.

Those using the "Greatest Snow on Earth" must realize it is a privilege to be taken seriously and not abused. But too many skiers, snowboarders and even snowshoers today are following the examples of "extreme" athletes they see on videos and commercials.

In their minds the boundaries don't apply to them.

We need to realize that Utah's white stuff is both a blessing and a burden for all who use it. With the blessing of incomparable levels of snowfall comes the curse of high avalanche risks.

Many of the avalanches can be prevented, the U.S. Forest Service says, if people would use their common sense. Adventure seekers need to understand the dangers involved in backcountry winter activities and respect the power of the land.

It has become such a problem here in Utah that the Forest Service has already begun preparations for the large influx of tourists for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

With an estimated one million people expected to invade Utah's borders for the 2002 Olympics, the Forest Service has prepared an avalanche safety plan for the Games that will address safety issues related to the hazard. They also have a Web site and information hotline in operation which work to inform and educate the public to possible slide areas.

The Forest Service deserves a pat on the back for the work it is doing, but none of these safety measures functions unless the public does its part. Those exploring Utah's back country need to be cautious.

Carrying proper equipment — shovels, avalanche probes and transceivers — can increase chances of survival significantly. Most important, though, those travelling in the backcountry need to be able to find safe routes and be ready to turn back when those routes become hazardous.

According to the Forest Service, more people die each year in avalanches, on the average, than from either hurricanes or earthquakes. Since 1985, over 200 people have died in the United States alone and, in Utah, more people are killed from avalanches than any other natural hazard.

So for those seeking adventure in Utah's backcountry — be careful. Or you may end up with a heavy load of snow on your shoulders.

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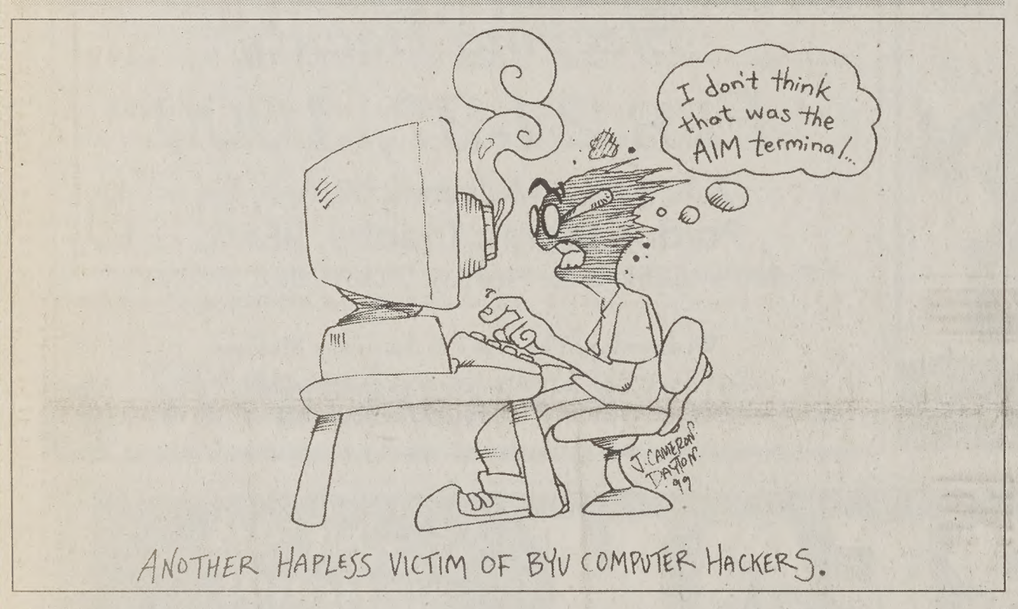
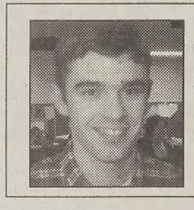


Viewpoint

Handling same-sex attraction



By Jared Lyman
Special to the Universe

While most Latter-day Saints agree with the LDS Church's position that homosexual behavior is a sin, few know what counsel to give those with same-sex attraction (SSA). In describing my struggles with SSA, I hope to remove some of the fear and misconceptions about it.

Let me first build a foundation so you can better understand my predicament. Since my mission I have never denied, and never will deny that the LDS Church is God's church. For me that is not only a fact but the first half of the problem. The second half comes from what are, for me, desires to be with men. Hence — and I'm not sure someone not in my situation can grasp the significance of this statement — I have two conflicting natural desires. When I'm ready to give in and find a boyfriend, the spiritual prevents it, just as the physical does when I decide to be single. I constantly waver from one side to the other and, in not being able to choose, I find myself in the middle, alone. I cannot fully side with the gay community, nor can I completely fit in socially with traditional members of the church.

While growing up I ignored my feelings and as a result I grew up frustrated, lonely, and scared. After my mission I was excited to marry. At the same time my attraction to other men complicated that idea. (People with SSA do not choose to have those feelings. Did you choose to have yours?)

After a semester at BYU a roommate told me of his sexual orientation. He got me talking with psychologists, bishops, friends, and family members about my conflict between my sexual desires and the teachings of the church. Like most personal dilemmas, it was extremely beneficial to seek help from others.

I strongly encourage those who are attracted to members of the same sex to find someone to talk with. I think I can relate to the vulnerability you feel in telling someone, but out of all the people I have told only one had a negative reaction. Bishops are a great place to start. They can, and probably should, refer you to professionals who can help you work through your feelings. Contrary to your personal fears most bishops, while they know very little about the subject, handle the situation professionally. Of the three bishops I have told none of them have been what I feared most: disgusted by me.

While talking has relieved some of the pressure, I still have issues to confront. Going to church is the hardest thing I do each week. Ward members, rightfully so, joke about dating and marriage. I don't criticize them for this, though the monthly priesthood joke about being "gay" doesn't help, but for me those subjects are associated with deep inner conflicts.

I often consider giving up church attendance all together. It's hard for me to imagine, for the rest of my life, sitting alone in sacrament meeting. (I now feel a painful kinship with the single women in my home ward.) Then there is the task of magnifying my priesthood. Women are an essential part of that process. Without a wife, who can I bless, who can I counsel with? I become frustrated when women get upset they don't have the priesthood. My SSA has taught me that it doesn't matter who has it, one without the other is still only half.

I think Mormons in my situation feel confusion, despair, and isolation from their religion in addition to the normal pressures of society. SSA, other than being condemned, gets little attention. Few bishops, parents, and friends know what guidance they should give. In good jest they counsel not to act on the feelings, yet if one truly understands the conflict one knows that is a given, and not a solution to the problem of orientation: Merely not acting on the feelings isn't necessarily going to make them go away. While my future is uncertain I plan to make myself available to church leaders in hopes they may better help those in their stewardship. In connection with this I hope you will talk about these things with others. You might be surprised at how many people you know have a friend, sister, father, or are themselves privately attracted to other members of the same sex.

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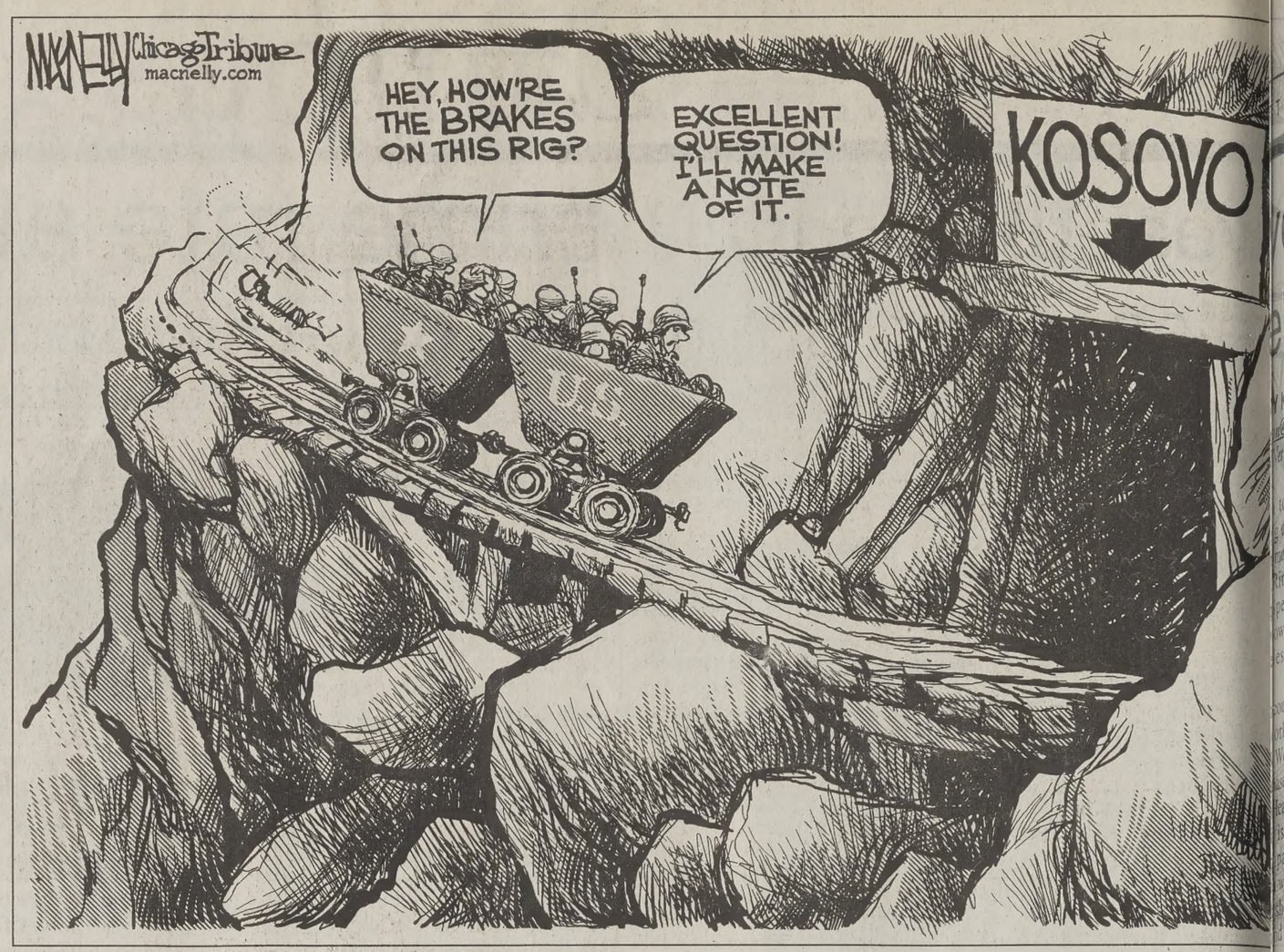
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Why so negative?

Dear Editor:

We were very disappointed after reading the "Sweetheart Edition" of The Daily Universe on Feb. 10. There were negative articles toward dating and marriage, flippancy toward President Gordon B. Hinckley and a general attitude of jaded cynicism pervasive in the paper's Valentine's Day articles.

It is a disgrace to this paper that it should publish so many articles that cavalierly mentioned "making out" and other vulgar and inappropriate slang terms. Your readership would have been better and more responsibly served by articles that addressed love and relationships in a more mature manner. Valentine's Day is an opportunity to remember those we love, a noble idea for those who are single or married.

Pertaining to romantic love, we found no articles that addressed the sacred and beautiful nature of relationships founded on true principles conducive to celestial marriages and eternal families. Though we are both single, we have both witnessed the sweet and tender expressions of true love by which the saccharin imitations appearing in your paper pale in comparison. It is neither chocolates nor flowers nor any other material display in and of itself.

Love is what keeps a man caring for his wife for two years as her body is slowly ravaged by cancer and she is unable to care for herself. Love is two octogenarians rolling their wheelchairs side-by-side down a corridor as they hold hands. Valentine's Day is merely an opportunity to recognize the unselfish emotion that motivates such actions. Love is neither flashy, nor crass, nor rooted in physical passions. It is sacred and marvelous. Your paper fell far short of the standards we expect of our BYU publications. What could have been an amusing reflection on Valentine's Day degenerated into a commentary that trivialized matters of spiritual consequence.

Nicole M. Christensen
Mt. Laurel, N.J.
Candice L. Johnson
Lethbridge, Alberta

PETA explained

Dear Editor:

Please allow me to respond to your article about People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals' (PETA's) beef with Eisenhower Junior High School outside Salt Lake City, which, until recently, flew McDonald's Golden Arches from its flagpole. How ironic that when local PETA members tried to distribute leaflets about vegetarianism off school grounds, and after school hours, they were threatened with arrest, but Eisenhower students were allowed to hand out "Be Neat, Eat Meat" flyers unhindered. So much for freedom of speech. Which is kind of PETA's point.

It might surprise parents to learn that the average school spends only 1 to 2 percent of its budget on textbooks, leaving many teachers desperate for supplemental materials. Corporations like McDonald's, as well as trade groups like the National Live Stock and Meat Board and the National Dairy Council, are more than happy to oblige, providing schools with teaching guidebooks and coupons, high-tech multimedia kits and free samples. The purpose of such materials is to peddle products — in this case, artery-clogging animal foods — not provide useful nutritional information. And when an opportunity to discuss the benefits of a better diet does come along, as it certainly did in Utah, school officials seem reluctant to risk offending their sponsors.

Eisenhower teacher Clayton Brough, for example, said, "The students came to me and asked if there was anything I could do to help them feel better about eating meat." He could have assigned his students to research meat-based and plant-based diets, and then debate the pros and cons of each in class. Instead, Brough compiled the very one-sided pro-meat leaflet. The National Parent/Teacher Association's Arnold Fege says the link between corporations, trade groups and schools is turning "classrooms into propaganda machines."

PETA agrees. That's why we think it's important to tell kids both sides of the story. Whether or not to eat meat is a choice we all have to make for ourselves. But how can anyone — kids or adults — make an informed choice if they don't know all the facts?

Paula Moore
Norfolk, Va.

Where have you been?

Dear Editor:

We recently returned from the fireside with President Thomas S. Monson. We were able to feel the Spirit, despite the bloody noses, aching backs and 180-degree temperatures. We have one question to pose to the university student body — especially the female audience: Where have you all been hiding? Or even better, where do you live?

We feel this letter is appropriately written near Valentine's Day, because we are righteous priesthood holders anxiously waiting to carry out the prophet's order. The reason we are asking this question, besides the fact we are single and very available, is we are utterly bewildered a the number of "honeys" we saw at the devotional.

As we strive through our academic labors, engaging in classes, walking on campus, working out in the gym and attending weekly services, we are still asking, "Why have we not seen these 'well-tabernacled spirits?'" Either they walk too fast (faster than the speed of sight), they hibernate in the Smith Family Living Center or they don't find their way past the food court from Zuka Juice.

In closing, we make one simple request: Take us to your leader.

Jared Nelson
Recida, Calif.
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Parking all good

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the letter entitled "Parking Complex" published on Tuesday. To the author and all others who complain about parking, I suggest a reframing tactic to overcome your anguish. Let's put your parking predicament into perspective.

1. The price you paid for your parking permit is what other university students pay per month for their parking permits. There are long waiting lists just to get these permits as well. Not at BYU.

2. BYU's student parking (Y and R lots) are on the edge of campus. Many universities must bus in commuters from satellite parking lots. Imagine having to wait for the shuttle for '20 minutes'. 3. Multi-story parking lots are very expensive to build and expensive to maintain and provide security.

4. There's always perking in the north Marriott and stadium lots.

5. Rest assured, the money you paid for the permit is being used wisely, even to finance parking enforcement to keep non-permitted cars out of the lots. 6. At BYU, out-of-state students pay one of the cheapest out-of-state tuitions in the country. What an incredible deal we are getting here. 7. Some people can't even afford a car or insurance to take them to school every day. What if you had to take the bus every day?

8. Some people weren't fortunate have been raised in good schools go to college. It's OK that we ar have cars, can afford insurance, t even an occasional parking tick earned it in one way or another.

In the mean time, leave earlier in ing and count your many blessings.

Keith Steurer
Madison, Wisc.

Calendar confus

Dear Editor:

In some peoples' opinion, the raise may be unrelated to more wei ters or challenges faced by studer (We have those aplenty). Howev must comment on what appears to odd explanation in reconciling the endar with holidays.

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Would it have been an easier exp announce "Monday classes are Administrators should learn about irg of KISS: Keep It Simple Stupid

Ben Te'Jere
London, England

A whole new wo

Dear Editor:

We, like the enlightened student in last Thursday, have been disenc the increasing amount of sarcasm plaints in editorials. We fully adv the Universe's editorial space as discovering truth rather than an ou bored bitterness. For those o weren't able to read this insightfu began this new era of editorial wri ing about personal magnetic field effect on timekeeping devices.

Though we don't have an answer have been concerned with this is also searching for an explanation occurrence we witnessed. One semester at approximately 1:30 roommate made a routine trip to room located in our apartment com about five minutes remained o timer, he decided to wait for his cl returning home, he found the d Angry for being left out in the cold ed on the windows until he woke we let him in. He yelled at us fu inconsiderate as he had only been minutes." We managed to calm then we explained to him that it 3:30 a.m. We are wondering if th shift in time might also be related magnetic fields (PMF's).

Our roommate is quite charism his especially strong PMF substa the dryer timer? As a side note, heard that gravity plays a role in attraction. Is this true? Could w dating woes if we only better und basic principle of physics? We in the BYU community who can e puzzling phenomena to help us better understand the world we liv

Nate Phillips
Steve Stubben
Cleveland

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s young, Andrews' asses the soulful woman twice her age. he pours into every l felt throughout the

s by popular writers unge, Billy Mann and , Andrews is able to e country sound.

Her choice of songs reveals youthful optimism, making her a fresh presence in country music.

The songs on her album all revolve around the idea of love.

You have to wonder how much a 15-year-old knows about love, but Andrews says she only sings about situations she can understand.

"You go First" captures the thrill of a first kiss; "The Riverside" is a tender tale of young love; and "I've Been Waiting for You" is about the way love changes your view of the world.

While working on "Heart Shaped World," Andrews was invited to join other country greats and participate in "The Prince of Egypt-Nashville."

She was the only artist to premiere on the soundtrack, which allowed her to sing along the sides of Vince Gill, Reba, Randy Travis and Wynonna.

Her contribution to the album, the song "I Will Be There for You," is also the first single from her debut album.

"Heart Shaped World" is due in stores in the middle of March.

Music Review

Photo courtesy of DreamWorks

Fifteen-year-old Jessica Andrews joins the company of several other famous teen singers with her debut album to be released in March

AC play stages touching drama

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ompany will perform at," a true and touch- through Saturday at mental Theater in the Center.

Boat" is based on the y who was born with ophilia and died in S related complica- centers on the 8-year- and how he and his th the disease and

nd media arts profes- is directing the play. of the best written audiences I've seen . It has an excellent message," Oaks said.

"The Yellow Boat" is a true story written by the boy's father, David Saar.

"This play is so touching. We haven't even been able to get through a practice without everyone crying," said Deric Nance, a senior from Salt Lake City, majoring in broadcast journalism, who plays Benjamin.

"It teaches how to get the most out of life and deal with death in a happy manner," he said.

Colleen Baum, a graduate student in theater and media arts from Salt Lake City, plays a child-life specialist who helps Benjamin through the disease.

"I think this play is a mind opener to a lot of things. It takes place in the '80s before people knew very much about AIDS," Baum said. "This play is very informative of how we shouldn't treat people differen.. who have it."

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"The play shows how people are afraid, due to ignorance," Nance said.

He said one scene is about how nobody shows up to Benjamin's birthday party.

"The play teaches people to treat those who are sick with respect and not spread rumors because we don't always know everything about them," Baum said.

The Young Company began performing the play for elementary schools Feb. 4 and will travel to schools around the state twice a week for the rest of the semester.

The performances begin at 7 p.m. There will be a matinee show on Feb. 20 at 2 p.m.

Tickets cost $4 for students and $5 for general admission and can be purchased at the Fine Arts Ticket Office.

LDS musical 'experiences' debut

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NewsNet Staff Writer

ent took on the responsibility to LDS musical, "Experience." d the scripture "All these things experience and shall be for thy his stage play.

orkshopping it through this week-

ocuses on a faithful LDS grand- ey (Karen Snow), who helps the own through their trials.

Holmes) is a shy boy who stutters. ool, he is teased by many of the jocks. ve a singing talent but is too shy to share it. Mrs. Grey comforts him.

Another part focuses on a young man trying to decide if he should serve a mission.

Theater Review

The play even takes the audience through their experiences in the hereafter.

The play is simple. It's a local production, not a big stage number. This is the first time it has ever been performed. The story line is not intricate.

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BYU guard Amanda Covington pushes the ball past a UTEP defender during the Cougars' Jan. 28 game at the Marriott Center.

Y seeks high tourney seed

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The BYU women's basketball team will continue its quest for a top-three seed in the WAC's Pacific Division when it faces Fresno State tonight and San Jose State Saturday in its last home games of the season.

Sitting in the No. 3 spot, the Cougars (13-9, 7-3) are already ensured a position in the WAC Tournament, which runs March 1-6 in Las Vegas. But, in order to receive a first-round bye, BYU will have to jump to a first or second place spot by either counting on Utah or New Mexico to lose, or by winning all four games remaining on its schedule.

BYU head coach Trent Shippen said he'd prefer it to be the latter.

"That's what we want to do," he said. "That bye is big for us. We have to win these two games this week and take care of business at home first."

If the Cougars stay in the No. 3 slot, they will receive the rigorous chore of playing an NBA-style six games in nine days. Even worse, if BYU happens to fall into fourth place, it will be pitted against Mountain Division leader Colorado State, which is ranked fifth in the nation — a sure death sentence.

"Staying in the top three is very important," BYU forward Alisha Griffeth said. "The fourth seed in the WAC Tournament is a terrible draw. We definitely have to win these next two games."

That sounds like it shouldn't be too hard, considering both Fresno State and San Jose State have won just a combined three conference games.

Fresno (8-15, 3-7) is coming off a two-game losing streak, falling to UTEP and New Mexico at home last week. On the road it's even worse, with a 2-8 record.

But one doubtful variable remains. The Bulldogs handed BYU its first conference loss of the season Jan. 21 when they edged the Cougars 68-65 in California.

"(Fresno) has been a little inconsistent," Shippen said. "They did a half-court trap on us in our last game and made us shoot from the perimeter. We need to get inside and use our height against them."

San Jose State, on the other hand, fell at the hands of the Cougars by a 43-point margin in the teams' meeting last month. The Spartans have yet to win a conference game (0-10) and are a miserable 2-21 overall.

The Cougars will have to look even deeper into their bench than usual for these games with center Angela Burgess out. The 6-foot-4 senior tore some ligaments in her right foot against Hawaii on Feb. 11 and is expected to be out for at least two weeks. Although Megan Jensen's status has improved, she is still questionable for this week with a torn quadricep.

"If we play good, consistent basketball, we should come up with some wins," Shippen said.

Gymnast faces trials; keeps smiling

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BYU women's gymnastics team member Hi-D Beck says the only way to be happy is to look at yourself and say "This is who I am, and this is who I want to be."

Beck, a 20-year-old, 5-foot-4 junior, exudes that idea in everything she says. Even the spelling of her name reflects her friendly, easy-going personality.

Beck has been in gymnastics since she was 6, when her mother decided she had too much energy and needed an outlet. Beck said she picked the sport up fast and has loved gymnastics ever since.

"I went to a small gym, not even bigger than a floor (exercise)," Beck said. "I grew up with my coach, he was like a second dad to me. He helped me to be where I am today."

Beck competed with the Arizona Sunrays in Glendale, Az., until her sophomore year in high school when she blew out her ACL. She was out of competition her entire junior year and said she feared she was watching her dream slip away.

"I don't know how I got a scholarship to BYU. It's been my dream since I was little, but when I missed my recruiting year, I didn't know if I would be able to do it," Beck said.

Unfortunately for Beck, her ACL injury was only the beginning of a string of illnesses and injuries that seemed to be working to keep her out of the gymnastics line-up.

Beck performed well her freshman year, but right after the season ended her problems began.

After her freshman year, Beck had surgery on her ankle. After being in rehabilitation for four months, she went back into training only to strain her back. She then found out she had an infection in her blood and began needing upwards of 15 hours of sleep a day.

Beck said she was discouraged, but never gave up — even after she lost her scholarship.

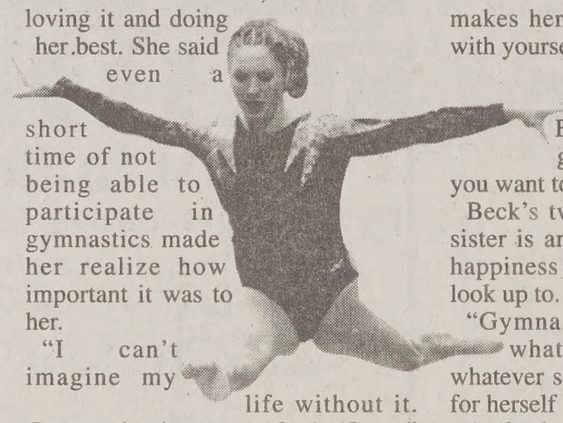
"Going to nationals last year and watching my team compete, it was so hard to sit there and watch and know I can do it, but not do it," Beck said. "It was kinda a kick in the butt."

Beck said since she lost her scholarship, her one goal is to get it back. She said she keeps the letter informing her of the loss of it in her room, right next to a list of things she needs to do to get it back.

That is just one of many positive-affirmation posters and statements Beck has in her room. Combine those with the plethora of smiley faces lining her walls, and Beck's room is a Mecca of positive thinking.

"I need this because it's all mental," Beck said. "It's all in here, confidence-wise. I had to realize that I am doing this for myself and nobody else. Once that happens, nobody can tell you you can't be happy with what you are. If I give it 100 percent and do all I can, then I won't fall short."

Beck said it's hard trying to get back to where she was, but that she is loving it and doing her best. She said even a short time of not being able to participate in gymnastics made her realize how important it was to her.



"I can't imagine my life without it. Gymnastics is a part of who I am," she said.

But gymnastics is not her entire life.

"When I leave the gym, I leave the gym. I have a life outside of those walls," Beck said.

Outside those walls, Beck has a full life with school and helping others. She said that, more than anything else, she loves to help people and do nice things for her friends.

"My family is my No. 1 priority, then my friends. I just love doing stuff for people," she said. "I think half my money goes to helping people that I am close to."

BYU gymnast Hi-D Beck leaps high above the balance beam during the Cougars' Jan. 29 match with the University of Utah at the Marriott Center.

Dan Lund/Daily Universe

Beck said helping other people makes her happy, and being happy with yourself is all that matters.

"You have to do what makes you happy," Beck said. "You have to give and take and be who you want to be."

Beck's twin sister Amber said her sister is an example of courage and happiness that her whole team can look up to.

"Gymnastics is what she is, it's what she lives for. She'll do whatever she has to do to be the best for herself and the team," she said.

And what Beck has to do is keep smiling and working hard. Beck said she knows what she wants to do this year, and that she is fighting to do it.

"It's hard though," Beck said. "You never know what's gonna happen or when it's gonna end. So you have to take it one day at a time. You have to be happy. You have to believe it's gonna happen, and it always does."

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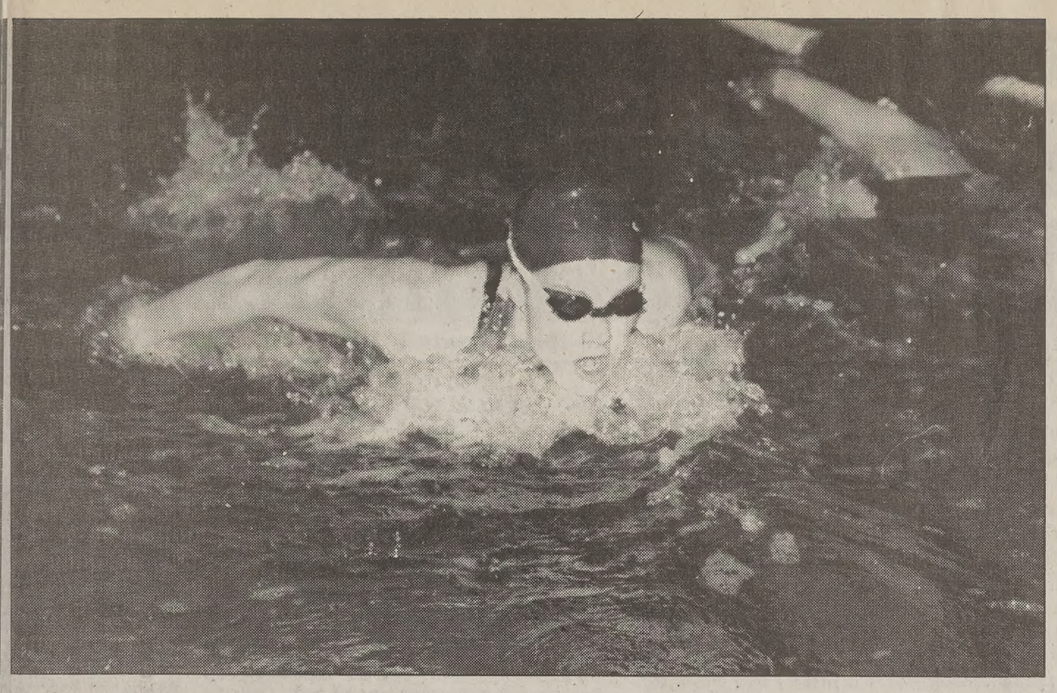

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Hawkins is now one of the team's co-captains and has proven herself a leader both in and out of the pool.

"She has had a phenomenal year," head coach Stan Crump said. "She has been so consistently fast all year long."

All of this year's work should culminate in the WAC Championships, and possibly in the NCAA Championships, should Hawkins qualify.

"Going into WAC I'm much calmer (than last year)," Hawkins said. "It's one of the last big meets I'm ever going to be in. I'm just going to try to have fun and swim fast."

The NCAA Championships are a slightly different story. The competition takes place in mid-March and brings together the fastest swimmers in the nation. With a strong showing in the WAC Championships, Hawkins could be a part of the NCAAs for the first time in her career.

"It's such an incredibly fast meet. I'd be ecstatic if I qualified," Hawkins said. "Just to go and watch would be awesome, let alone swim."

In the meantime, however, Hawkins is simply trying to enjoy her relatively-short time remaining in competitive swimming. Hawkins has one more year left of eligibility before graduating next spring, and said she plans to enjoy every second to the fullest.

"I love racing. I love competing. I love trying to focus and overcome the fear of failure," she said. "I think the best athletes have mastered that. They put in the work and then let it all out, and whatever happens happens. I hope I can do that."

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"The meet will be three days straight, which is hard, especially at a conference meet," Brimhall said. "Emotions are high; You're giving it all you've got. There's more energy than normal."

Senior Emily Nay will take a break from running the 5,000-meter race to compete in the 3,000-meter this weekend. In 1998, she finished first in the 3,000-meter race at the WAC Championships.

"I know I'll have some good competition this year because Maggie Chan is running (the 3,000-meter) too," Nay said. "So it will be hard, but I want to improve my time and race as close to her as I can."

Nay said the break from the 5,000-meter race will be a relief since she plans on running the longer race at nationals March 4-6.

"I'll be competing three weeks in a row, and that's a lot for me," she said. "The 5,000-meter is really hard mentally, so it will be good to rest before that."

Junior Kirsten Bolm will compete in the women's 60-meter hurdles and the long jump.

Poole said if Bolm runs a clean race, he has no doubt she will win.

The distance-medley team of junior Melanie Steer and seniors Julie Bennion, Treva Bryant and Lindsay Jones will not run at the WAC Championships.

That relay team broke a Devany Sports Center meet record in Nebraska on Feb. 6, but will wait to run it again at the NCAA National Championships in March.

"We're going to run a team, but it won't be the same team," Poole said. "We should still win it though. At this meet, we want to load up the 4x400-meter and win there."

Cleveland takes Cougs 'home'

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After icing an invitation to next month's WAC Tournament last week, the BYU men's basketball team travels to northern California to take on Fresno State tonight and San Jose State Saturday.

BYU (10-12, 5-5) will have the opportunity to make head coach Steve Cleveland a happy man if it pulls off a win over the Bulldogs (17-9, 6-4) tonight in Cleveland's hometown of Fresno.

"The game is obviously unique for me personally because I'm going to my hometown," Cleveland said.

Having coached at Fresno City College for seven seasons, where he won Coach of the Year honors before coming to Provo, Cleveland will probably have many fans from Fresno watching his every move tonight. But despite his popularity, Cleveland is characteristically focused on the job at hand.

"(Fresno) is so explosive," Cleveland said. "It concerns you as a coach because they can score points in bunches and they play so well at home."

In the Cougars' last meeting with the Bulldogs, at the Marriott Center, Fresno State squeaked out a 79-75 victory, led by Courtney Alexander's 27 points. The Cougars, who missed nearly a dozen inside shots, lost a game that night that Cleveland said he thought they should have won.

With the WAC Tournament just a few short weeks away, both teams will be jockeying for position tonight, trying to be seeded as high as possible.

"There is a lot on the line for both teams," Cleveland said.

Following the Fresno State contest, the Cougars will travel to San Jose, where they will take on the Spartans (11-12, 4-6). Just one game behind the Cougars, San Jose State is in a position where getting into the WAC Tournament is still a major priority.

"We are in for a dog-fight in San Jose," Cleveland said. "When they came to Provo they had their worst shooting night of the year and they are a totally different team at home."

Defeating the Spartans 75-44 in their January match-up in Provo, the Cougars enjoyed their largest victory of the season. San Jose State shot a meager 26 percent from the field as BYU held the Spartans to 14 first-half points. But Cleveland is not counting on the same Spartan performance.

"We will need to play very well because San Jose State is going to be a different team than they were in Provo," Cleveland said.

This weekend's road trip brings with it the potential to take the Cougars over .500 in conference play, a mark BYU hasn't seen since the last time these teams met.

Tonight's game is scheduled to get underway at 8, while Saturday's game will tip-off at 3 p.m.

Golfers finish 8th in Calif.

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The BYU women's golf team opened its spring season Tuesday and Wednesday with an eighth-place finish at the Pepperdine Wave Invitational in Coto de Caza, Calif.

BYU was ranked 10th of 16 teams after shooting 329 on Tuesday, but moved up two spots Wednesday.

Head golf coach Gary Howard said the opening match was disappointing, but provided the young golfers with valuable experience.

"It's good to have one tournament under our belt," Howard said. "This just showed us that we need to shake up the line-up a little bit."

Pepperdine took the team title, finishing with a score of 615 and beating the next closest opponent, Arkansas, by four strokes. BYU shot 643 for the tournament.

Senior Jamie Stevenson led the Cougars, shooting 81-75 — 156. Stevenson's scores were good enough for a 10th-place overall finish. Freshman Carrie Summerhays carded 81-76 — 157, falling only one stroke behind. Summerhays placed 15th overall.

"Jamie is poised to play very well this season," Howard said.

No rest in sight for road-warrior baseball team

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If the BYU baseball team is looking for a challenge before diving into Western Athletic Conference play, it's certainly found one.

The Cougars will wrap up their preseason schedule with a three-game series at 10th-ranked Arizona State University today through Saturday.

ASU won its first 11 games this season and is 13-4 overall.

With the non-league stint, the Cougars cap an 11-game road swing that has had them away from Provo for the past week and a half. BYU began the trip in St. George, where it finished 2-3 in the Southern Utah Chiropractors' Association Tournament, and followed that with a three-game set with Mesa State, finishing 1-2.

The Cougars are coming off a 10-4 loss to Mesa State, dropping them to 5-6 overall.

"Our preseason has been focused on us improving with such a young team," Pullins said.

Freshman pitcher Curtis Rodriguez (1-0, 5.19 ERA) is slated to start for BYU against former Cougar Will Waldrip (4-1, 1.70 ERA), who went 3-1 with a 10.20 ERA in the past two seasons in Provo.

"We are still learning a lot about the combinations that will help us be more competitive," Pullins said.

The Cougars will make their WAC debut in Albuquerque on Feb. 26 against New Mexico.

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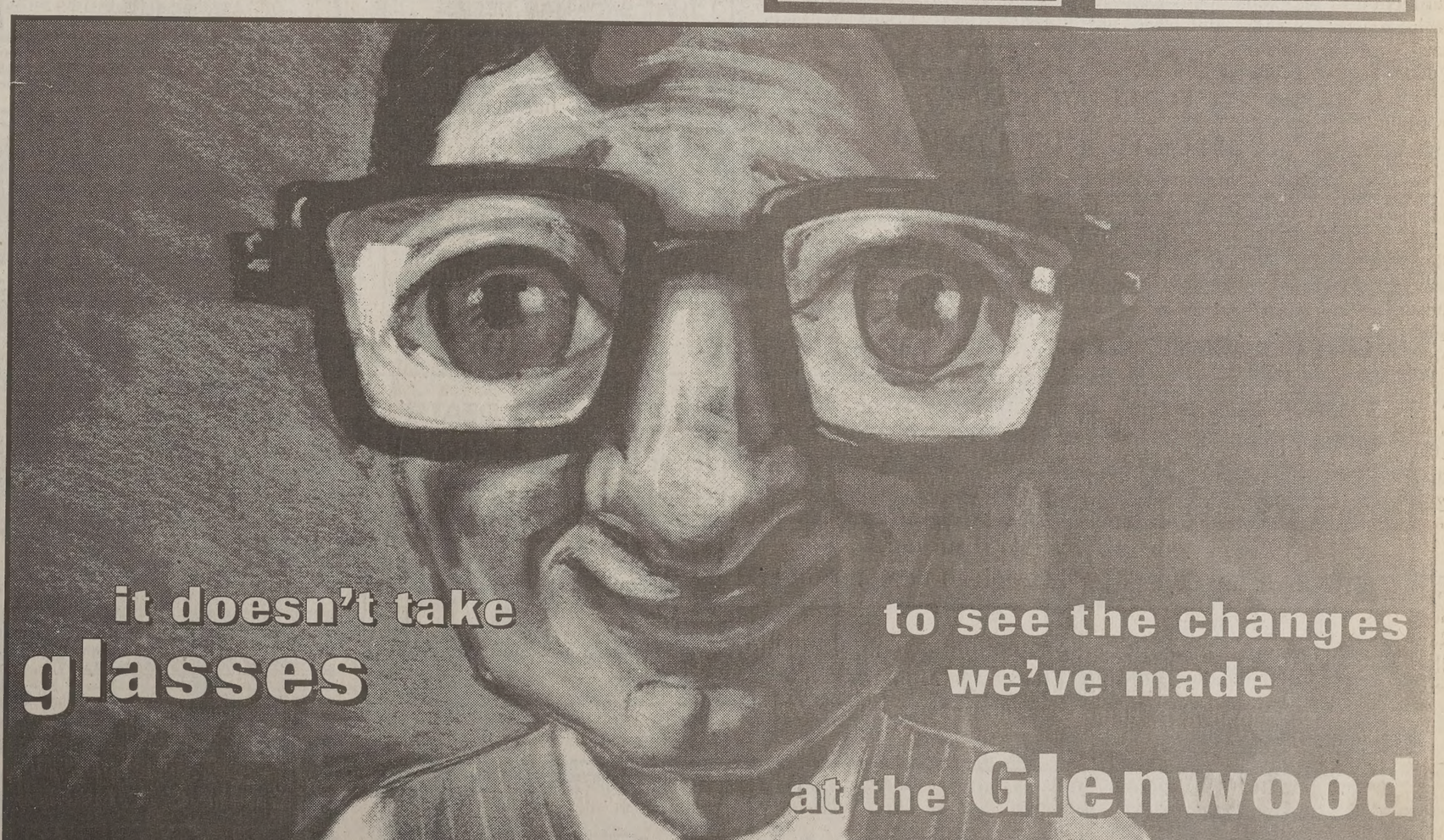

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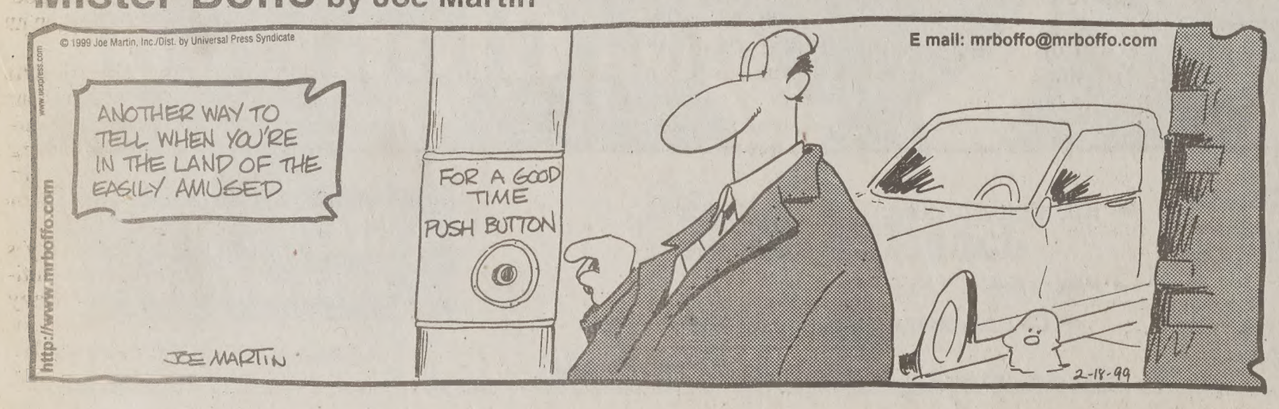
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No new taxes for Utah credit unions

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No new taxes — that is what is ringing in Utah credit unions' ears.

But what's ringing in Utah teachers' ears is that education is losing more possible funding.

Howard Headly, president of Utah Bankers Association, said Utah schools have lost millions of dollars in funding because credit unions — specifically America First and Mountain America — acted as banks but received an income tax exemption as if they were credit unions.

According to Headly, some of the money would have gone toward funding education.

However, "the (Utah Education Association) did not want to be drawn in, because most of the teachers belong to credit unions," Headly said.

Phyllis Sorensen, president of the UEA, disagreed.

"The issue is not taxes ... It's a turf war," she said.

Sorensen said the issue was not big enough to concern the UEA, and the organization didn't want to be involved.

"The issue is not taxes ... It's a turf war."

— Phyllis Sorensen, president of the Utah Education Association

As the bill stands in the Senate, credit unions have agreed to no longer give service indiscriminately like banks, or they will have to start paying state income tax.

Unlike Sorensen, her predecessor Lily Eskelsen, now serving on the National Education Association executive board, worked hand in hand with Headly to mandate credit unions acting as banks to pay education taxes.

Yet Sorensen said the banks are using education to confuse the real issue.

And the issue clouded even more as the sponsor of the bill against credit unions, Senator Al Mansell's office, turned against bankers.

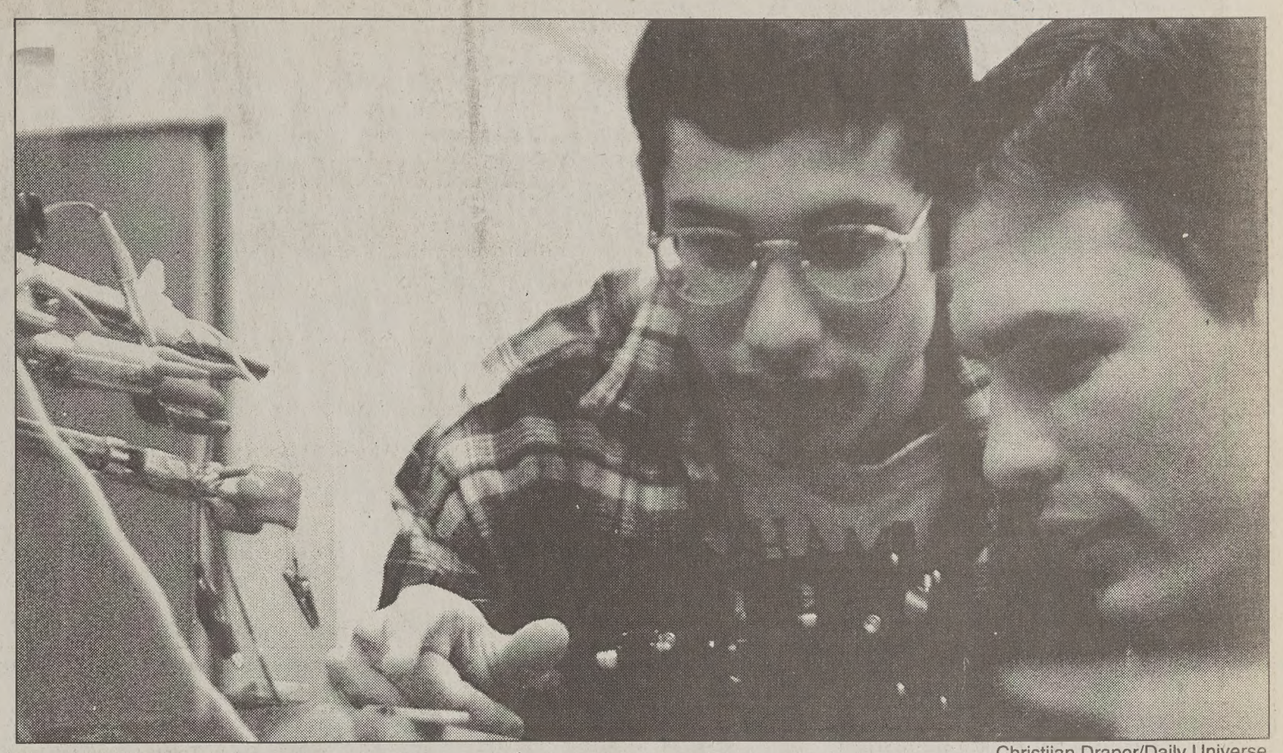
Marta Jackson, intern for Senator Mansell, said bankers issue false advertising to stir emotions.

According to Jackson, the Utah Bankers Association knew that money wouldn't be paid to education, but it published ads to promulgate this incentive.

Headly emphatically denies this.

"Our adds were 100 percent intellectually honest," he said.

Headly said the credit unions played o heir members' emotions by telling t m they would l e their money if he bill passed.



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Geof Hartson, left, and Christian Fox, both electrical engineering majors, discuss an experiment being conducted in the Clyde Building on Feb. 8. Last year, BYU was named North America's most inventive research institution by The Technology Access Report.

Y awaiting tech. ranking

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In 1998, BYU topped the list as the most inventive North American research institution, but BYU's technology specialists are anxious to see where the school stands in 1999.

The Technology Access Report, a newsletter based in Novato, Calif., ranked BYU No. 1 in technology transfer last year. Technology transfer is the amount of money an institution receives compared to the number of inventions, licenses, technology patents and start-up companies it produces.

A new rating from the Technology Access Report is expected to be released in March, and BYU is likely to still be ranked high, said Michael Odza, editor of Technology Access Report.

"A school's position in the ranking usually doesn't change much from year to year, so expect BYU to still be fairly high," he said.

The 1998 report showed BYU as receiving only $15.4 million in research funding, compared to the $163 million provided to the University of Utah.

"We still made more money than the U," said Lynn Astle, director of the BYU Technology Transfer Office. "In the technology area, we can hold our own."

In comparison with other large universities, BYU receives little money for technological research. Astle estimated that John Hopkins University is funded by more than $600 million per year.

"Because BYU's funding is so much smaller than other institutions, BYU ended up as No. 1," Odza said.

Although BYU's funding is small, the university has parented many different products and ideas. Among these is a drug to treat rare types of leukemia.

Astle said a BYU professor developed a breakthrough chemotherapy drug, leustatin, that is used to treat hairy-cell leukemia.

The drug was licensed to Ortho Biotech Inc., a division of Johnson & Johnson, and has been in use for nearly five years. The drug has a 95 percent cure rate.

Additionally school funding was used to develop a digital hearing aid, invented by two BYU professors.

Douglas Chabries, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology, and Richard Christiansen, professor of electrical and computer engineering, initiated the hearing aid project in the early 1980's.

Chabries and Christiansen developed a small computer chip that mimicked the way an ear hears.

The chip was then implemented into a small hearing aid, Chabries said.

Sonic Innovations in Midvale is the company that originated out of the digital hearing aid technology that Chabries and Christiansen developed.

BYU's technological advancements bring in nearly $3 million dollars a year for the university, he said.

"We're the liaison between the industry and the university," he said.

lobbies for responsible lead disposal

Associated Press

— It's called the Alliance for Safe and Abatement. Its target audience is Ameriout the environment and its stated goal king water from being poisoned by the ved from older homes and apartment

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s say their main motive was to protect harmful government action.

An estimated 900,000 children under age 6 have high levels of lead in their blood.

"Lead in drinking water is such a much greater potential concern in the future after we take this short-term solution and remove all this lead and put it somewhere where it is still unsafe," said alliance executive director Jim Wachtel. His company, NexTec, makes products used in lead paint removal.

One environmental organization, the Maryland-based Anacostia Watershed Society, has joined the fight.

"Any kind of a national regulation that would endanger groundwater is of serious concern," said Jim Connolly, the group's executive director.

Under current federal rules, specially trained workers in protective clothing are called to a site where lead-painted fixtures are to be removed. They seal the room they're working in and either use chemicals to treat the debris at the site or transport the materials to sealed containers to be treated at landfills or incinerated.

The government's proposed rules would let contractors simply remove and dump lead-painted debris with other construction materials in landfills, reducing the need for lead abatement specialists.

EPA officials say the changes will reduce the cost by up to 90 percent — with no harm to the environment. The hope is that by reducing the cost, more homeowners and landlords will replace window frames, doors, railings and other materials containing lead-based paint and keep them away from children.

"It was an opportunity to make a huge statement for protecting children," said EPA division director John Melone. "One of the great inhibitors is the tremendous cost. This would be a tremendous shot in the arm for a lot of kids."

Lead has been banned from paint since 1978. But children in older buildings are still at risk of learning disabilities and behavioral problems if they eat the paint as it flakes off door jams and window sills. An estimated 900,000 children under age 6 have high levels of lead in their blood.

Contractors who do the renovation work have endorsed the EPA proposal, as have organizations trying to reduce lead poisoning.

"Most kids get lead poisoning because of conditions in and around their house. Few kids are getting lead poisoning because they're drinking contaminated groundwater," said Ellen Tohn, an environmental consultant with the Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning.

2 semis collide, driver dead

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A semi truck driver died Wednesday morning after his truck collided with a tractor trailer in Spanish Fork Canyon.

According to the Utah Highway Patrol dispatch, the accident happened at mile marker 199 on State Road 6. One of the trucks was traveling east, the other west, in Spanish Fork Canyon.

The truck traveling westbound crossed the center line and collided with the truck traveling east, said UHP spokesman Verdie White.

The driver of the east bound truck, a 59 year-old male from Missouri, died in the accident, White said.

The driver of the westbound semi left the scene of the accident uninjured, he said.

Kevin Elmer, a UHP trooper, said the death was a result of the impact between the two trucks.

However, a third party traveling east may have been the real cause of the accident, Elmer said.

The third car was too close to the center lane, and the west bound truck moved over in an effort to avoid hitting the car, Elmer said.

After the west bound truck driver checked his mirrors to make sure his trailer did not hit the car traveling eastbound, the semi driver returned his attention to the road and found himself in the on-coming lane, Elmer said.

"The accident is being blamed on weather conditions and driver error," White said.

Elmer said at the time of the accident it was snowing in the canyon, and the roads were packed with snow, making the lines for the lanes invisible.

A complete investigation of the accident will not be completed for at least a week, White said.

Gambling may fund Sydney Games

Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia — Slot machines may take the place of disillusioned sponsors to help Sydney Olympics organizers fill a multimillion-dollar budget gap.

Battling a fall in corporate faith because of the widespread bribery scandal, the Sydney Organizing Committee for the Olympic Games has revived the idea of using gambling to reach its revenue target.

Sydney organizers are more than $130 million short of their goal of $568 million in sponsorships, part of an overall budget of $1.7 billion.

And while SOCOG President Michael Knight said Tuesday that "You can run a pretty fantastic Olympic Games" on what his group has raised, he added: "You can do even better if you can get another couple of hundred million."

"The first thing we want to do is go out and look positively and aggressively for that money," Knight said. "If we don't (find it) we'll make the necessary adjustments."

So, with the Olympics' leading sponsors calling for broad reforms to retain their financial commitment to the games, SOCOG is looking again at legal gambling to help plug the gaps.

John Moore, the marketing official in charge of finding the missing millions for SOCOG, has floated the idea of slot machines installed in clubs with a percentage of profits going to the Olympic organizers.

Moore said any such link between gambling and the Games would have to carefully walk the line between tackiness and valid fundraising technique.

"We don't want Olympic rings on (the machines)," Moore told The Australian newspaper Wednesday. "The various products that fit into recreational gambling, we've had a look at."

In October, Knight said there was a "fine line here between how you raise revenue and how you also protect the integrity of the Games."

Slot machines were raised as one possibility then and received guarded support from IOC executive board member Jacques Rogge.

Rogge said gambling on the Games was not allowed but that sports in many countries were funded by lotteries and that was valid.

The New South Wales state opposition, engaged in a pre-election battle against the government, seized on the rehashed idea.

"I'm calling on them to announce whether or not this is a serious proposal or whether, as it seems, it's a suggestion from somebody who knows little about gaming," opposition gaming spokesman Richard Bull said.

Slot machines in clubs and bars earn about $22,100, according to government figures. It would take 6,000 machines sending all their profits to SOCOG to make up the shortfall.

SOCOG is expected to name two new sponsors after its monthly board meeting Thursday — some rare good news for an Olympic community overwhelmed in recent months by the scandal centered on Salt Lake City's successful bid for the 2002 Winter Games.

Knight rejected criticism of SOCOG's budget structure by International Olympic Committee marketing director Michael Payne and said he had no plans to back off a $65 million profit-sharing deal with the Australian Olympic Committee.

Payne said Tuesday that SOCOG should consider plowing the profit back into the budget, automatically filling half its revenue gap.

Knight said the deal was done and Payne should accept that.

"I would have thought that Michael Payne would have had enough on his plate with IOC problems without giving Sydney gratuitous advice," he said.

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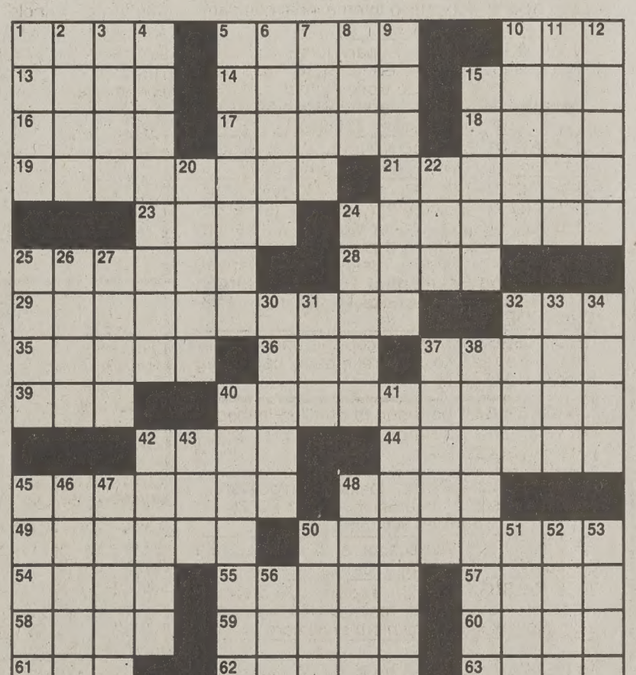

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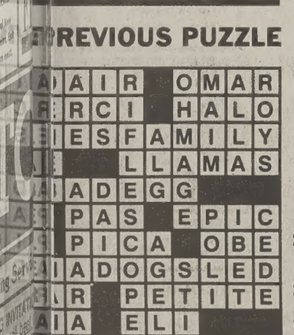

ABC may interview Lewinsky soon

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Kenneth Starr is clearing the way for Monica Lewinsky to give her first television interview, but prosecutors and lawyers are still discussing restrictions on what she can say, people familiar with the talks said Wednesday.

Under arrangements with Starr's office, Lewinsky could be interviewed by ABC as early as Saturday about her relationship with President Clinton. The network is hoping to run the Barbara Walters interview during the February ratings "sweeps" period, which ends March 3. Lewinsky's book will be published March 5.

The main restriction is that Lewinsky cannot go beyond what she has said in her interviews with prosecutors and in her grand jury testimony, said the sources, all speaking on condition of anonymity.

Lewinsky spokeswoman Judy Smith, Starr spokesman Charles Bakaly and ABC spokeswoman Eileen Murphy all declined to comment.

The negotiations are necessary due to a prohibition about talking to the media in the agreement Lewinsky signed with Starr's Office of Independent Counsel on July 28.

The document states that "pending a final resolution of this matter, neither Lewinsky nor her agents will make any statements about this matter to...representatives of the news media, without first obtaining the OIC's approval."

Lewinsky's testimony conflicts with both Clinton and presidential friend Vernon Jordan, who helped line up a job offer for the ex-intern and found her a lawyer when she was subpoenaed as a witness against Clinton in the Paula Jones case.

Lewinsky testified that she tried to make clear to Jordan that she had an intimate relationship with the president after initially denying having sexual relations with Clinton in response to a direct question from Jordan.

In regard to Clinton, Lewinsky's testimony conflicts on when the intimate relationship started, how many times they engaged in such behavior and the details of their encounters. He says he never touched her in a sexual manner. She says he did.

Tardies, no shows got to go

School requires Saturday attendance for multiple tardies

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The number of tardies at Oak Canyon Jr. High School in Lindon has reduced dramatically since the school implemented a new program that requires students to attend school on Saturdays if they are continuously late to class.

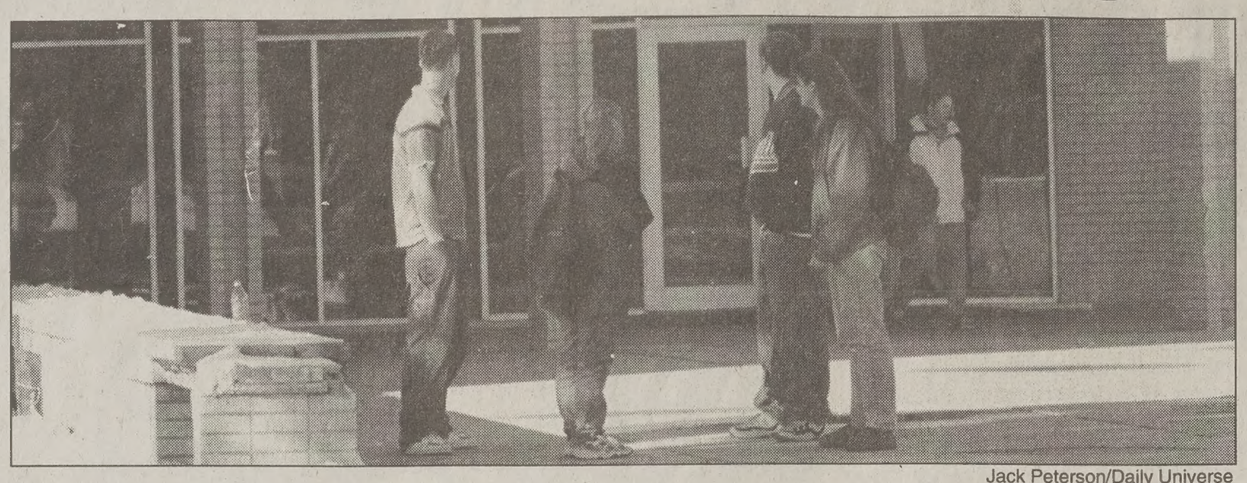
"If you waste the teachers time during school then you have to make up for it. This makes people want to go to class instead of spending an extra day on Saturday going to school," said Joe Kauwe, a ninth-grader at Oak Canyon.

The program was introduced at the beginning of the second term in November. Because teachers perceived tardiness as a severe problem, they thought a school-wide policy would be the solution, said David Smith, assistant principle at Oak Canyon.

If students acquire fifteen tardies, it is mandatory that they attend school on Saturdays for a three hour block, Smith said.

For every five tardies after the minimum, they have to attend another session, he said. The school does allow students to work off tardies with individual teachers to avoid attending Saturday school.

"In today's world whether we are adults or kids, we need to be responsible for our actions," said Kay Giles, director of secondary school for Alpine school district. He said Saturday school is helping students learn this lesson the hard way.



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Students congregate outside Springville High School after school earlier this month. A new school policy implemented in November denies extracurricular participation for truants. It has reduced truancy rates by 88 percent at Springville High School.

Playing hooky results in restricted school 'play'

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Denying truants' participation in extracurricular activities has dropped truancy rates by 88 percent at Springville High School.

The policy was implemented in November. It received backing from the Alpine School Board and the PTA.

Under the policy, truant students are not allowed to participate in extracurricular activities.

The policy also mandates that students bring an excuse note signed by a parent or have a parent call the office before the student is allowed to attend class after an absence.

Principal Mike Hicks instituted the policy when he discovered that 150 to 200 students were truant every day. Now, there are about 25 truancies day.

Hicks said the success of the policy should be credited to the Springville High School students who choose to cooperate with it.

"At this point, Springville High School has one of the best attendance policies that I'm aware of," Hicks said.

Hicks was invited by the governing board of the Principals Association to present the policy at the annual Midwinter Conference for Secondary Principals on Jan. 26 in St. George.

Spanish Fork High School has also adopted the same attendance policy and other high schools represented at the conference are interested in implementing it too, Hicks said.

"Parents like this policy because they like knowing where their kids are. Teachers like it because it helps make their jobs easier and I have even received positive comments from the kids too," Hicks said.

The fact that overall attendance at Springville High School is up to 95 percent, including excused and unexcused absences, is proof that the policy works, Hicks said.

"The old attendance policy was really bad. It was way too easy to sluff," said Chris Lee a 32-year-old Springville resident.

"I'm so proud that the school finally found a way to teach the students accountability."

6 schools to address uniform decision

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With six schools in the Wasatch Front seriously considering turning to uniforms, new dress codes are something on many Utah educators' minds.

"It's a matter of allowing (students) to focus on school," said Stan Butler, principal at Pleasant Grove's Manila Elementary, which uses uniforms.

Butler said uniforms have leveled the playing field between rich and poor students and has helped students focus on learning instead of playing.

However, Bob Gentry, principal at Dixon Middle School in Provo, said it is not an issue of changing students' clothes but changing their attitude.

"You can either change the environment as far as the dress, or you can change how you treat kids," Gentry said.

Gentry said it is more important to give students a sense of belonging and treat them with respect than to dress them all alike.

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> *—Stan Butler, principal at Manila Elementary*

Mike Sadler, principal at Nibley Elementary in Salt Lake City, said some parents are also worried uniforms will cost more money.

He said there are also concerns about finding clothing to fit uniform description.

However, Butler said concerns will be set to rest if people would look at the positive research on uniforms and try them.

Students, teachers, faculty and other school support groups need to welcome the dress code change said Frances Battle, principal at Bryant Middle school.

"I would suggest that uniforms could be successful if you have a buy in from as many persons as possible."

Despite concerns, Sandler said uniforms have been gaining in popularity.

He said schools using uniforms have seen an increase in student scores and a decrease in discipline problems. He said added benefits include less gang activity during school, it fosters a feeling of respect.

One man tied to 5 armed robberies in Orem

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Orem Police have linked one gunman to five local armed robberies, including one committed Tuesday, said Detective Gary Downey of the Orem Police Department.

Walker Oil Company, 251 N. State, is the most recent business to be hit by the robber, Downey said.

The gunman entered the gas station Tuesday around 10 p.m., and pointed a semi-automatic handgun at the female employee and demanded that she put the money in a bag, said Paula Faux, Walker store manager.

The gunman is described by all witnesses as a white male, about 5'10" with a slender build, Downey said.

In all of the robberies, the assailant wore a dark-colored, hooded fleece sweatshirt and a dark ski mask, Downey said.

In each robbery, Downey said, the assailant , possibly used a 9 mm semi-automatic handgun.

The gunman fled on foot after each robbery.

Crestview Husky Self Serve gas station, 1594 S. State, was the first robbery Jan. 18.

A week later, on Jan. 25, the gunman robbed the Sinclair Retail gas station, 175 E. 800 North.

Subway sandwich shop at 1416 N. State was the third robbery on Feb. 7, and is the only one that was not a gas station. Circle K in Pleasant Grove, 341 E. State was also robbed on Jan. 31.

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